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Dear Owner,

I wanted to apologize for some of the things I may have done to drive you to want to neglect me; after all it is not like I have remained loyal to you for many years. It is not as if all those sleepless nights I have spent barking have been spent protecting you and your family from outside dangers like burglars and rapists who prowl the streets at night, while I make my rounds to warn you of the outside disturbances.

On the other hand, I'm sure you had an important reason for forgetting to feed me, sometimes even for days at a time. I was probably in need of discipline for trying to serve you as best as I could. But it's okay. Going a few days without food or water only strengthens my senses that I use (not to mention) to protect your family. I am only sorry that the lack of nutrition will cause my body to fail and die.

I do though have a proposal to help solve the neglect issue I, as well as many other dogs like me, face. Maybe we should stop becoming man's best friend and only care about our own interests at hand, only care about our needs and our survival, but then what would we be become? The answer is hateful, uncaring beasts, or maybe perhaps ... human?

Forever Loyal,
Your dog